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## THE FARMERS' MEETING.

Largely Attended. The Able Addresses of President Smith and Treasurer Hyatt.

The Cotton Grower's Convention call for Saturday was attended by at least 200 representative farmers from all sections of the county. Both President Smith and Treasurer Hyatt were present and were accorded the most earnest attention throughout their instructive and able addresses, which were the feature of the day. The meeting was a most enthusiastic one and all expressed themselves as greatly pleased with the prospects of the movement for securing a reduction of the cotton acreage. \$70.00 was contributed for carrying on the work. The business session resulted in the president being authorized to issue a call for an organization at each democratic club in harmony with the county and State organizations.

## TREASURER HYATT'S ADDRESS.

The first speaker was Mr. Hyatt, who is treasurer of the South Carolina division of the Southern Cotton Association. Mr. Hyatt is also president of the South Carolina Good Roads Association, and his address was introduced with an urgent appeal to the farmers of Fairfield to take up the matter of building better roads, which make for better school, better churches and better farming. The excellent work which has been done by Richland county in this important matter was emphasized as a stimulus to her neighboring county to follow suit.

In regard to the great movement that is now being made to secure a reduction in the cotton acreage, Mr. Hyatt said this is the farmers' opportunity, for he now has the support and co-operation of bankers and merchants in a way never before known. More than 60 years ago the farmers of the South were in for a similar movement, but the means of communication were too slow for anything to be accomplished. With the telephone and free rural delivery this barrier is removed. Organization is the order of the day. No business undertaking can succeed without being organized. Organization is imperative upon the farmers to protect themselves. The time has come for the Southern farmers to show to the world that they can act in harmony and stand pat in their demands.

There is no danger of competition in the growing of cotton on the part of foreign countries. India cannot produce enough cotton to clothe its own millions. The South is God's cotton patch. 3 per cent of all clothing is cotton and of this the South produces 90 per cent, which makes it the producer of 75 per cent of the clothing of the world. This leading article of clothing cannot be produced elsewhere, and there is no need of fear from this source.

Mr. Hyatt made a strong plea for building ware houses at every point, shipping as much as 2,000 bales a season. These ware houses are necessary so that the farmers may hold their cotton when the price does not warrant their selling it. Negotiable warehouse receipts can be issued which will enable the farmers to hold their surplus. The farmers of the West through their graineries have been able to demand their price for their wheat by storing the surplus. The farmers of the South must do likewise with their cotton.

Mr. Hyatt closed his able address with an appeal to the farmers to stand together in the reduction of their cotton acreage and diversify their farming interest. 13,000,000 bales of this year's cotton crop will bring only \$400,000,000, whereas the 11,000,000 bales of the previous crop brought \$600,000,000. The South's cotton fields are gold mines, producing 4 to 6 times as much as all the gold mines of America. Diversification, however, is necessary. No man ever succeeded who planted nothing but cotton. An experimental form is now being conducted by the government on his place near Columbia to demonstrate what can be done without the use of chemical fertilizers, which are a great drain upon the farmer's pocket book. These fertilizers should be made at home. The granaries and the stores should not be in a

here in South Carolina. To the Southern farmer who raises all his supplies at home is given a degree of independence that is not possible to others. This is a time for all to pull together, for every shoulder to the wheel.

## PRESIDENT SMITH'S ADDRESS.

Mr. E. D. Smith, president of the South Carolina division, was the next speaker. Mr. Smith has just returned from a speaking tour of two months in the Southwestern States and is enthusiastic over the probabilities of success for this great movement on the part of the Southern farmers. Mr. Smith is a brilliant speaker, having his subject thoroughly in hand and with a powerful control of his mother tongue. Despite the fact that he was very unwell, he held his hearers spell-bound for more than an hour by the force of his logic and his brilliant oratory.

Mr. Smith said that the great need of the Southern farmer is an importation of a few tons of brain to counteract their being such hopeful fools when there is no basis for their hopes. While still at the mercy of the Wall street speculators their condition is ridiculous, if not pitiful. In their ignorance of the markets and of the needs of the world for the product which they grow, they are merely trusting to luck all the while. In continuing without organization the farmers are being farmed instead of farming. Nothing can be accomplished under the present system of every producer acting single-handed. Trusts and combines are not iniquitous in themselves. There must be organization.

By holding their surplus product ten-cent cotton is assured. The mills have already sold their output for the next twelve months on a basis of ten-cent cotton and soon they will be clamoring for it at that price. The alarm about immense port receipts within the past few days is false. Port receipts are not sales and do not amount to anything. The immense amount of cotton that has been going to the ports has been for the purpose of being stored in warehouses. What is needed is warehouse at every shipping point to avoid the cotton being thus concentrated, and to enable the farmers to hold their staple.

In regard to the reported sales of fertilizers, Mr. Smith said that the sales were not near so large as they were this time last year. As an illustration he cited the town of Dillon in the heart of the cotton-growing belt which has brought in only 1,200 tons this year as compared with 6,000 tons for the same period last year. There is a vast difference between the amount of tags cancelled and the amount of fertilizer sold.

In regard to the reduction of the acreage, Mr. Smith said that it is unquestionably being cut throughout the whole South. Every farmer should stand pat on the reduction of cotton acreage. Common honesty demands that every farmer stand to his pledge. If the farmers will only stand pat on the reduction of acreage within the next thirty days and freeze on to their cotton, they can easily dictate the price of the same.

In regard to the charge that this was a political movement, Mr. Smith made a most emphatic denial, giving the downfall of the grange and the alliance as forcible illustrations of the farmers to keep politics out of this movement. There was no office in the gift of the people that would give him as much satisfaction as to be instrumental in bringing about a better condition of things on the part of the Southern farmer.

In conclusion, Mr. Smith paid a beautiful tribute to the heroism of the men of the sixties, pleading with the remnants of that heroic band their gallant sons for courage—the courage to stand honestly together in their demands and not to be moral cowards in maintaining their God-given independence.

## Incredible Brutality.

It would have been incredible brutality if Chas. F. Lemberger, of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he says, cut a fearful gash over his eye, so I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye." Good for burns and ulcers too. Only 25c. at McMaster Co.'s, Obeur Drug Co.'s and H. McMaster & Co.'s drug stores.

## Memoirs, Traditions and History of Rocky Mount and Vicinity.

(Written for The News and Herald by L. M. Ford.)

## VI.

### BETHESDA CHURCH.

William Lewis of revolutionary memory was a member of the Methodist Church. He and his neighbors—Picketts, Jacksons, and others—erected a rude log hut on the lands then owned by Col. A. F. Peay in the vicinity of what is now Bucklick. This they called Shady Grove. At that time the Methodists were not objects of popular favor, especially in that locality. The ministers were threatened with mob violence if they continued services at Shady Grove.

In consequence of those threats Bethesda Church was organized. This was in 1812. That portion of the worshippers who resided in this vicinity proceeded to erect a house of worship at a place then known as "Grant's Old Field." This house was located a few hundred yards southerly from the Pine Grove Negro Baptist Church. For many years the name, "Grant's Old Field" clung to Bethesda with unaccountable tenacity. Frequently "Grant" was dropped and the "Old Field" retained. Many years ago the preacher sent to this circuit, on his first round, being as he supposed near the Church, asked a young man, whom he chanced to meet, the distance to Bethesda Church. He declared his ignorance of the existence of a church bearing such a name. He was then asked the distance to the "Old Field Church." This question he answered promptly and explicitly. This young man was to the manor born and his mother was a member of Bethesda.

The names of the person who contributed to the building of the first house of worship are: Rev. Jno. Pickett, a local preacher, Foster, Piper, Jackson, Gibson, Lewis, and Graham, commonly called "Grimes". The following are some of the names which were on the church roll many years ago, to wit: Lewis, Piper, Jackson, Stokes, Graham, Barber, Ellison, Backstrom, Reynolds, Pickett, Howze, Brown, Grant, Wilson, Walker, Mills, and Templeton. All these have gone to their rewards, and but few, if any, have any descendants bearing their names and connected with the church here. Their places are occupied by others.

Owing to the inconvenience of the location or the condition of the building, another house was built on the west side of the road that extends northerly from the residence recently occupied by John O. Jackson where the Rocky Mount road intersects. This was in the late thirties or early forties.

The present house of worship is a neat and commodious brick building, erected in 1854-55 by the untiring efforts of Rev. L. A. Johnson, pastor at that time. The means to erect this building were mainly contributed by Mr. Wm. E. Hall and his brother, Mr. Daniel Hall. They were assisted by others according to their means. The congregations of Bethesda have generally been small, yet the quarters paid by these benevolent and liberal brethren brought some of the best talent in the Conference to this work. During their lives Bethesda was a prominent factor in every circuit in which it was placed. Six of the members of this old church have entered the ministry and served in the South Carolina Conference.

The first was Absalom Brown who entered the Conference in 1828. He died in 1833, and was buried in Montgomery county, N. C. He was an uncle of the James L. Brown of this section. Hugh A. G. Walker was admitted in 1831. He died in 1836, and was buried in Marion county, N. C. John R. Pickett was admitted in 1815. He died in 1870 and his remains rest in the Methodist cemetery in Winnsboro, S. C. It is said his ministry brought more than ten thousand persons into the communion of his church.

Phillip L. Pickett was admitted in 1835. He travelled two years and located. He settled on a farm near the Falls and continued to reside there until his death in 1862. He was buried at Bethesda. He served the neighboring churches from the time of his location until his death.

James Tillman Kilgo was ad-

mitted in 1850. He died in 1888 and is buried in Marlboro county. It is told of him that he was so proficient in mathematics in his school boy days that his teacher called him Archimedes. He has three sons in the ministry: one is president of Trinity College North Carolina, the other two are members of the South Carolina Conference.

Edward L. King was admitted in 1839. He died in 1875 and his ashes repose in Columbia, S. C. He was an uncle of Hon. P. L. Hardin, Bascomville, senator from Chester county. He has a son Rev. J. Rufus King in the North Georgia Conference, who has served as P. E. for some years.

Since 1850 Bethesda has sent out no minister.

Mrs. Rodgers, a shouting member of this church for many years, was the first to be laid to rest in the church yard. This was in 1855. Since that time more than ninety have been buried there.

At times since the war the prospects of this old church have been gloomy, at other times cheerful. Sometimes it has been neglected, yet the members have always been courageous. High water mark in attendance, accessions, and spiritual growth was reached during the four years (1895-8) pastorate of Rev. R. A. Yongue. Since that time, a gradual decline has gone on along the whole line.

Camp meetings were held on the same hill and not far distant from the Pleasant Grove Negro Methodist church in the 20's.

(To be continued.)

## William H. Trapp.

William H. Trapp was born June 24 1820, and died March 19, 1905. He was married Feb. 10, 1846 to Miss Mary E. Dawkins. This union was blessed with six children, three of whom preceded him to the better land. He served during the War as a faithful soldier in the cause of the South. He was a good upright citizen, a faithful husband a loving father and before he died he made a profession of the Christian religion. A sorrowing wife; one son, W. Y. Trapp; two daughters, Mrs. W. M. Nelson of Jacksonville, and Mrs. J. M. Gayden of Columbia; and a sister and many other relatives have the sympathy of many friends, who sorrow not as those who have no hope.

E. S. L.

## Raw or Inflamed Lungs

yield rapidly to the wonderful curative and healing qualities of Foley's Honey and Tar. It prevents pneumonia and consumption from a hard cold settled on the lungs. "My daughter had a terrible cough which settled on her lungs," says N. Jackson, of Danville, Ill. "We tried a great many remedies without relief, until we gave her Foley's Honey and Tar, which cured her. Sold by McMaster Co.

## Death of Mrs. Black.

Mrs. Mary Black died at 8:45 o'clock last night at her home, 1709 Laurel street, after an illness of many months.

The funeral services were held at 9:30 o'clock this morning by the Rev. G. A. Blackburn of the Second Presbyterian church. The interment will be in the old family graveyard in the Horeb neighborhood in Fairfield county this afternoon.

Mrs. Black is survived by her husband, Mr. J. R. Black, two sons, W. R. and M. M. Black, of this city, and two daughters, Mrs. W. N. Kirkland, of Savannah, and Mrs. H. W. DesPortes, of this city. She is survived also by two sisters, Mrs. R. E. Craig and Mrs. M. M. Smith, both of Columbia, and one brother, W. C. Bookman, also of this city.

Mrs. Black was born in Fairfield county, in the old Horeb neighborhood in 1846 and was therefore 59 years of age.—Columbia Record March 21.

## The Colonel's Waterloo.

Colonel John M. Fuller, of Honey Grove, Texas, nearly met his Waterloo, from Liver and Kidney trouble. In a recent letter, he says: "I was nearly dead, of these complaints, and although I tried my family doctor, he did me no good, so I got a 50c. bottle of your great Electric Bitters, which cured me. I consider them the best medicine on earth, and thank God who gave you the knowledge to make them." Sold, and guaranteed to cure, Dyspepsia, Biliousness and Kidney Disease, by McMaster Co., Obeur Drug Co. and John H. McMaster & Co., druggists, at 50c. a bottle.

## A MATTER OF HEALTH



## Honor Roll of Mt. Zion Institute.

The following is the honor roll of Mt. Zion for the quarter ending March 17th:

Those making on examination 95 per cent or over are classed highly distinguished, those making 90 per cent or over as distinguished. On the attendance roll, appear the names of pupils present every day for three months.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

Highly Distinguished—Ammie Sitgreaves, Joe Ketchin, Jas. Douglass, Joe Caldwell, Bessie Broom, Evelyn Gantt, Mary Burley, Winnie McMaster, Nannie Neil.

Distinguished—Mollie Smith, William Elliott, Isabel Gooding, Benjamin Heyward, Louise Gantt, Mary Heyward.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Highly Distinguished—Laurens Elliott, William Dixon.

Distinguished—English Lyles, Mary Boulware, Dessie Clarke, Annie Gantt, Marcus Boulware, James Macfie, Lois Burley, Narcie Clarke, Irene Smith, Ethel Buchanan, Robert Ketchin, Eddie Crawford, Rich. Hugh Boulware, John Boulware.

## ATTENDANCE.

Benjamin Heyward, Bessie Broom, Lucille Gladden, Louise Gantt, Mary Heyward, Bettie Heyward, Daniel Heyward, Annie Gantt, Milton Deal, James Macfie.

## Letter to F. N. Clarke.

Winnsboro, S. C.

Dear Sir: It's an old saying: the best advertisement is a pleased customer.

It happens to us continually in this way: A man buys Devco for his house—he has painted it once in three years for a dog's age, and thinks he knows what he wants—buys 30 gallons, and has 10 left.

He sees right-off that 20 Devco is as much as 30 of anything else. He likes that; it comes quick; it is a surprise; and he tells of it. The best advertisement is a pleased customer.

Three years roll round. There isn't a sign that his house needs paint; he don't paint it. Next year he don't paint it. This comes slow! it is a surprise; but he has got used to it. Still the best advertisement is a pleased customer.

Yours truly  
F. W. Devco & Co.  
John H. McMaster & Co. sell our paint.

## For a Cook Stove

## Agate and Tinware

Call on me. I can supply you at prices that are right.

Bring me all your repair work. It will be done promptly and at reasonable prices.

I want your Furs and Skins.  
T. M. HAYNES.

## Our New Way

Is the same as the good old way of selling our goods at the very lowest living prices. . . . .

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at prices that it will be impossible for you to have bettered in this county or elsewhere.

## REPAIR WORK

is a great specialty with us. Bring along your old Furniture and have it made as good as new.

## R. W. PHILLIPS.

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We are glad to announce that we are now better prepared than ever before for doing all kinds of

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and that we shall be glad to be favored with any work you may have. When needing anything repaired bring it to us or phone us in regard to same.

All business entrusted to us will be promptly attended to.

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## J. O. BOAG.

## A Second Shipment----

OF PURE BLISS RED AND WHITE IRISH POTATOES for planting has just arrived. Former shipment sold out at once. These are the very best seed to be had.

I have nice eating potatoes on hand.

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## Geo. R. Lauderdale.

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## ---WAGONS---

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